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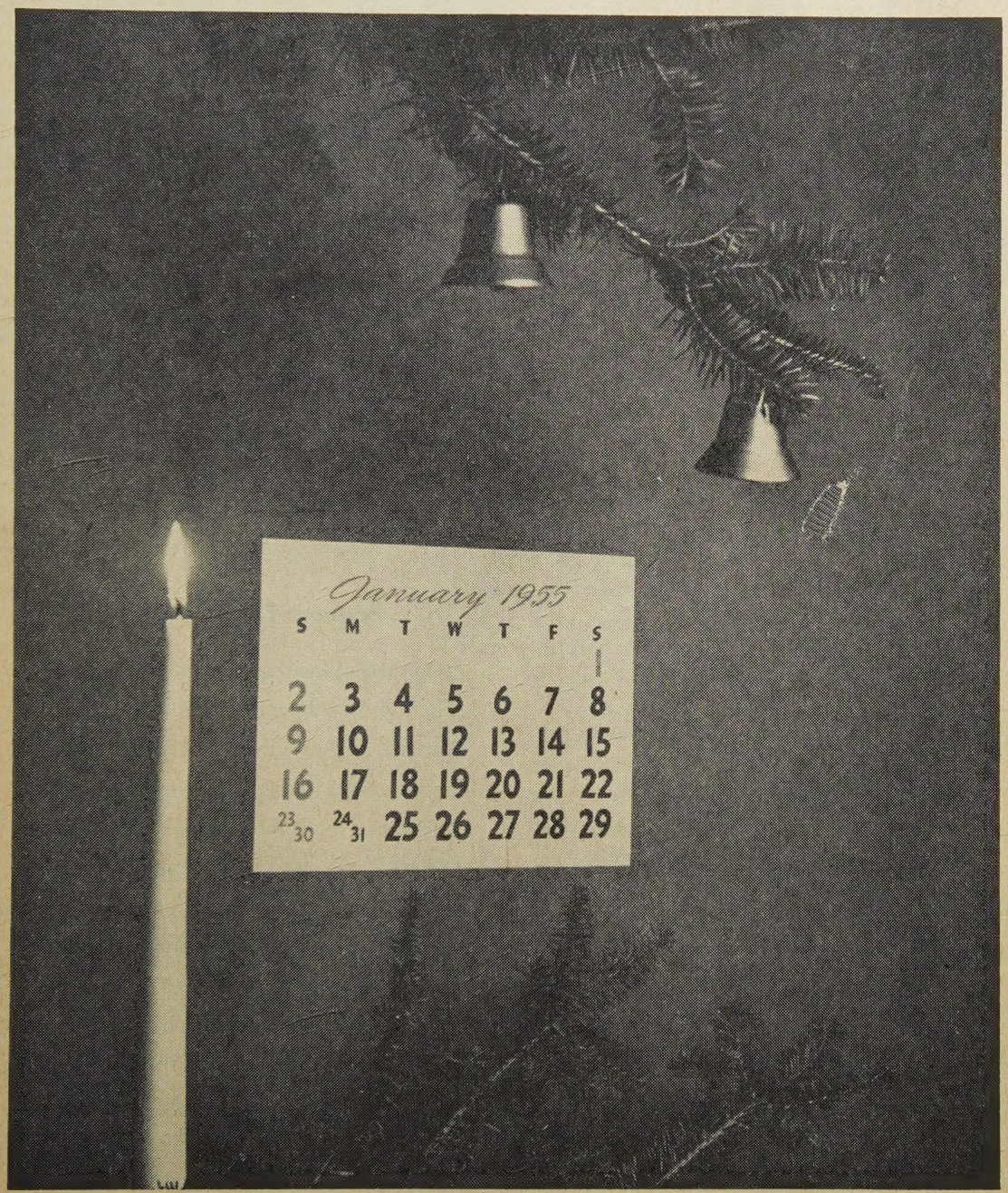

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"Choose you this day whom ye will serve."—Jos. 24:15

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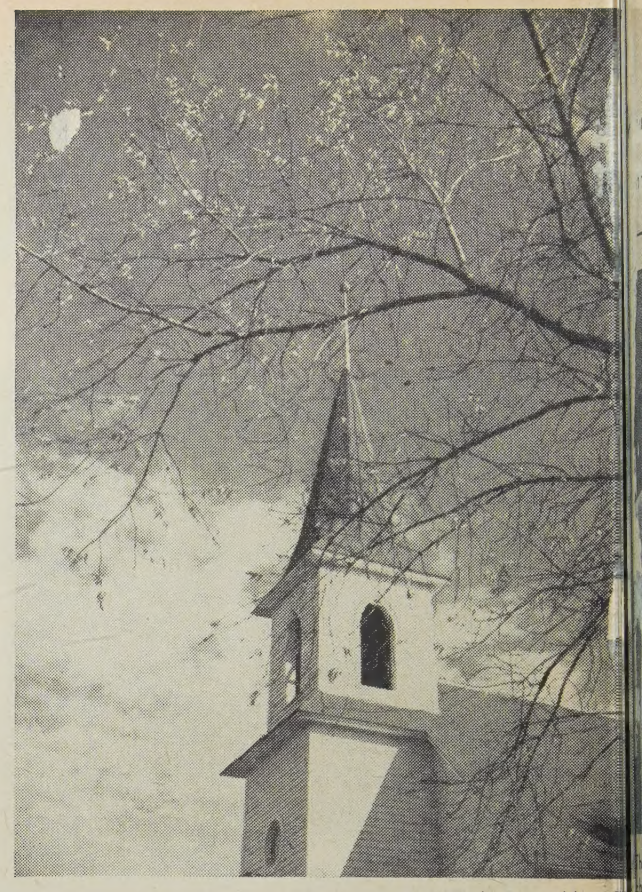
Two Poems for the New Year



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Throughout all generations Thou hast been
Our refuge, Lord, our ever present stay
In time of trouble. Lead us still we pray
Down the long corridor that lies between
This New Year's Day and all the days unseen
That stretch ahead. Hold fast each seeking hand
And give us wisdom, Lord, to understand
Thy love in gifts as well as discipline.
Let us not walk in willfulness and pride
Or vaunt our prowess for a world's acclaim,
The year now past is full of those who tried
And reaped reward in bitterness and shame.
Let us through Cross-bought faith be justified
To seek a Crown, we ask it in Thy name.

INGA GILSON CALDWELL

Prayer for the New Year

My prayer is for this new year, tender, young,
That blithely danced its way on singing tongue
Into our midst with childlike faith and trust
In this confused, hate-ridden world. It must,
I pray, be ever innocent of war;
Oh, let it give to us the courage for
The crushing sorrows which are great in life,
And patience in our daily, smaller strife;
Let fruitful days give hearts a wider scope,
And fill this year with love, hard work, and hope;
And may the dear essential things of earth
That bring us comfort, happiness and mirth,
Serve daily as reminders to believe
In God with thankfulness. Then on the eve
That celebrates time passing, we shall hear
Exclaimed, "It was, indeed, a good old year!"

DONNA MOEN ELLING

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e Rev. Warren Heggem, left, San Francisco, local convention airman; the Rev. L. Henry Nielsen, San Mateo, California, conation Bible study leader; and the Rev. Carroll L. Hinderlie, right, C Youth Director, confer on plans for the International Luther ague convention, June 21-26, 1955 in San Francisco.

Conferences for Better Youth Work

Carlyle W. Holte

hen my doctor goes off to a refresher course at the niversity of Minnesota or spends a week at Cook unty Hospital "browsing" while he rests from a rous schedule, I have two reactions: one, I am reatful because he is not at hand to take care of my esent or potential need for his services; two, I am ppy to have a family doctor who is concerned in rving my needs better.

Basically, I react the same way when my pastor goes f to one of these formless meetings roughly designated, "conference." What I confess I need to do is to under- nd better that his first reason for attending such sions is to do his pastoral job better, to serve me and family better.

My pastor should be concerned enough, then, to end a meeting like the annual Bible Camp Conferice to be held at Luther Theological Seminary in St. ul, on Monday afternoon and evening, January 10, d Wednesday afternoon, January . Although this meeting may be nstrued as a "must" for Bible amp deans and staff members, it esents an area of work so vital to y congregation's youth program at my pastor should be there. He will consider methods and materials, he will exchange impressions from the 127 camps operated in The Evangelical Lutheran Church this past summer, he will evaluate fresh ideas, and he will be given materials with which he can work creatively for the youth of my congregation during the entire year, as well as specifically at Bible Camp.

In addition to a conference dedicated to Bible Camp Work, there are throughout the year other opportunities offered to pastors and youth workers to sharpen skills in dealing with youth. Youth directors themselves find stimulation in the All-Lutheran Youth Leaders Conference. This inter-synodical assembly is a clearing-house of ideas and program elements which demands a healthy appraisal of each synod's youth outreach. The history of Lutheran youth work in the past few years clearly indicates that this conference has been the key to a strengthening of the church's concern to win youth for Jesus Christ in a personal commitment. The best elements of each synod's program have been liberally loaned for the mutual betterment of all the programs.

The conference point provides the opportunity to hear leaders in the field of church youth work and allied fields. Speaking at the Bible Camp Conference in January will be Dr. William Hulme, of Wartburg College, an outstanding counselor to youth. He combines an insight into clinical psychology with a thorough Christian outlook. His book, "Face Your Life With Confidence" is found in most public libraries, and his pastoral counselor page in *One* magazine is read by thousands of young subscribers. For a pastor who seeks an

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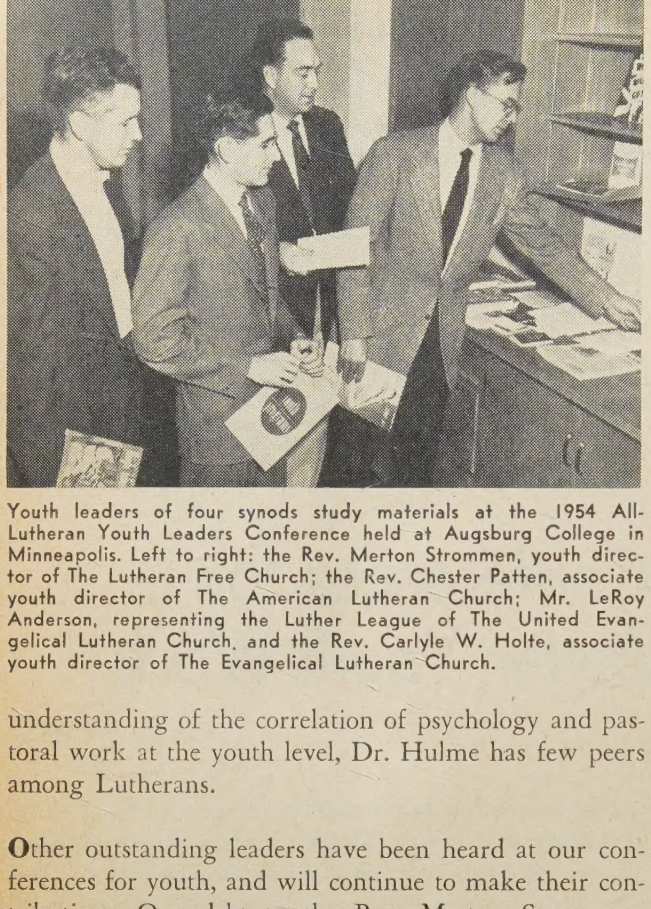


Youth leaders of four synods study materials at the 1954 All-Lutheran Youth Leaders Conference held at Augsburg College in Minneapolis. Left to right: the Rev. Merton Strommen, youth director of The Lutheran Free Church; the Rev. Chester Patten, associate youth director of The American Lutheran Church; Mr. LeRoy Anderson, representing the Luther League of The United Evangelical Lutheran Church, and the Rev. Carlyle W. Holte, associate youth director of The Evangelical Lutheran Church.

understanding of the correlation of psychology and pastoral work at the youth level, Dr. Hulme has few peers among Lutherans.

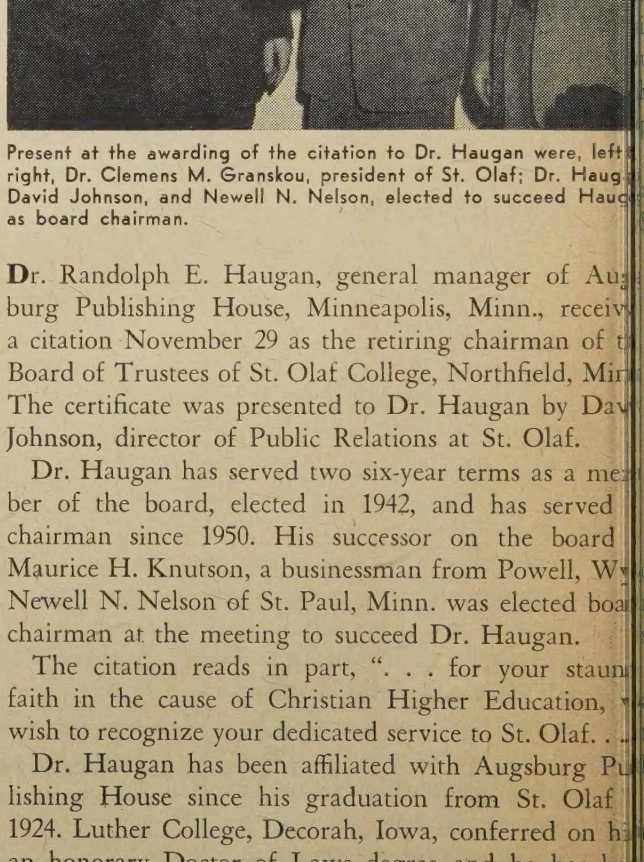
Other outstanding leaders have been heard at our conferences for youth, and will continue to make their contributions. Our debt to the Rev. Merton Strommen, youth director of the Lutheran Free Church, should be expressed. Pastor Strommen brings first-hand experience out of day-to-day contacts with students at Augsburg College and LFC Luther Leaguers, plus classroom insights gained from his continuing studies at the University of Minnesota in the fields of counseling.

The Rev. Fredric Norstad, director of chaplaincy services for the Lutheran Welfare Society of Minnesota, has brought his training and experience to bear in several conferences for youth. His is the type of contribution which can be profitable to us as youth leaders on an informal conference basis, the kind of conference that goes on over lunch, or while riding to work together.

We acknowledge that what makes conferences of pastors profitable is the contribution of the pastors themselves. Our tendency is to depend less upon the "guest expert" to carry the brunt of conference responsibility, and more on drawing from the rich wealth of knowledge represented by any grouping of experienced pastors in the parish. When that pastoral experience is pointed up by professional training such as that of the Rev. C. Richard Evenson, pastor of Woodlake Lutheran Church in Richfield, Minnesota, a new worth of mutual conferences is indicated. Pastor Evenson has been working toward his doctor's degree at Columbia University. The field of his interest, nominally in group relationshi has wide transfer value to church work in general a youth work in particular. His contributions to previo Bible Camp conferences and to the Leadership Scho program of the Luther League continue to be significa

All of this adds up to a mass, sometimes a maze, conferences, of all sizes and intentions. There may better ways of reaching large groups of key persons f mutual inspiration and learning, yet the burden of e dence indicates that such assemblies as these do provi the prod for increased study and concern for significa ly better youth work.

DR. HAUGAN RECEIVES CITATION



Present at the awarding of the citation to Dr. Haugan were, left right, Dr. Clemens M. Granskou, president of St. Olaf; Dr. Haug David Johnson, and Newell N. Nelson, elected to succeed Hauc as board chairman.

Dr. Randolph E. Haugan, general manager of Au burg Publishing House, Minneapolis, Minn., receiv a citation November 29 as the retiring chairman of t Board of Trustees of St. Olaf College, Northfield, Mi The certificate was presented to Dr. Haugan by Da Johnson, director of Public Relations at St. Olaf.

Dr. Haugan has served two six-year terms as a me ber of the board, elected in 1942, and has served chairman since 1950. His successor on the board Maurice H. Knutson, a businessman from Powell, W Newell N. Nelson of St. Paul, Minn. was elected boa chairman at the meeting to succeed Dr. Haugan.

The citation reads in part, ". . . for your staun faith in the cause of Christian Higher Education, wish to recognize your dedicated service to St. Olaf. . .

Dr. Haugan has been affiliated with Augsburg Pu lishing House since his graduation from St. Olaf 1924. Luther College, Decorah, Iowa, conferred on h an honorary Doctor of Laws degree and he has be knighted by King Haakon VII of Norway.

A Reality—
No Longer an Experiment

Philip S. Dybvig

Having shed everything nationalistic and adopted a program of outreach which might well be called all-American, the church can no longer justify abandoning city areas even though the social or economic complexion of the community has changed radically. Instead of moving on to finer suburban areas we need only adapt our program more effectively to the needs of the community.

The new St. Andrews Lutheran Church, organized in the old Our Savior's building in Milwaukee, is predicated on the above belief. Under the leadership of Pastors Joel Dobbe and Marvin Lee, and with the blessings of the Lord of the church, this young congregation expects to have about 215 members when they close their charter membership in a short while. They have just completed their first every member canvass, with the following results as quoted in their parish paper.

"The Every Member Canvass was a victory because some of us have learned to sacrifice of our most prized earthly possession, money. We were faced with the challenge to put God above all other things and in many instances we were able to do this. In our parish we have widows giving as much as three dollars per week. We have working men giving as much as ten and fifteen per cent of their income to the work of the Lord.

"The Every Member Canvass was a victory because at this moment 63 family units have pledged a total of $91.50 per week and $9,958.00 annually.

2 pledged	$15.00 per week	1 pledged	2.50 per week
1 pledged	10.00 per week	21 pledged	2.00 per week
2 pledged	8.00 per week	2 pledged	1.50 per week
1 pledged	7.00 per week	14 pledged	1.00 per week
7 pledged	5.00 per week	2 pledged	.75 per week
3 pledged	4.00 per week	1 pledged	.50 per week
6 pledged	3.00 per week		

"The Every Member Canvass was a great victory because it helped many people decide whether or not they really wanted to be in the church. Some said 'yes,' and some said 'no,' but all answered.

"It was a great victory because a high level of stewardship has been established which will be an inspiration to the people who come into the congregation at a later date, and to other congregations.

"The Every Member Canvass was a victory in as much as it has now been revealed to us how much work really needs to be done. We have a long ways to go before we shall be self-supporting and able to begin paying off our loan. But, with the start we have made there isn't any question but what we will soon be able to more than hold our own.

"It was a victory because the voices of doubt have now been silenced forever. We were called upon and rose up to establish a record of giving that will be the envy of many. Is there now a single man who dares to say it is impossible to make a 'Go' of Advent Lutheran Church?"

"We Believe, and Therefore . . ."

Raymond M. Olson
Director of Stewardship

Dr. Halford Luccock tells of the Scotchman who described his native highlands in this fashion: "It is a land where the great mists lie, but it is a land where the great streams rise." The Church is like his highlands. Much of the time it lies in great mists. It is not easy to know every part of its life, the reasons for its actions, the direction of its concerns. There will always be an element of mystery about it, because God Himself as He works in human hearts is a mystery, even when He reveals Himself in Jesus Christ.

A part of the grandeur of the Church is this divine mystery. But that grandeur is also seen in the Christian action which comes forth from it. These good works are the "great streams" which have their source in the faith of the people of God.

It is no small adventure to follow these "great streams" back to their source. Suppose you stand and look at the one called "Home Missions." It is a mighty stream. You can follow its course back from the new congregation to the headquarters of the Church, but you do not stop there. The course moves back again to the many congregations who make up the Church, but it does not stop there. It moves out into the homes and hearts of the people who make up these congregations. It is there that the Spirit of God is moving "in the mist." It is there that the good works of the Christian Church have their beginning. The new congregation comes to view far down the course of the stream which has risen out of the Christian faith of the people of God.

You can name the other streams of the Church, too, mighty and influential as they are in Christ's cause. They have names like Foreign Missions, Charities, Christian Education, Pensions, and Lutheran World Action. You will find that they rise in the same highlands of the Church; in the Christian love and concern of its people.

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New Plans for the American Bible Society

An estimated budget of $3,544,000 for the work of the American Bible Society for 1955 was unanimously approved at the 36th annual meeting of the Advisory Council of the Society, on November 30 and December 1 at the Society's headquarters in New York City.

Seventy-four members and guests, representing 54 different communions were present. This is the largest group that has attended these annual sessions, representing, as they do, those churches that place the Bible Society in their yearly budgets as their recognized agency for Scripture translation, publication and distribution.

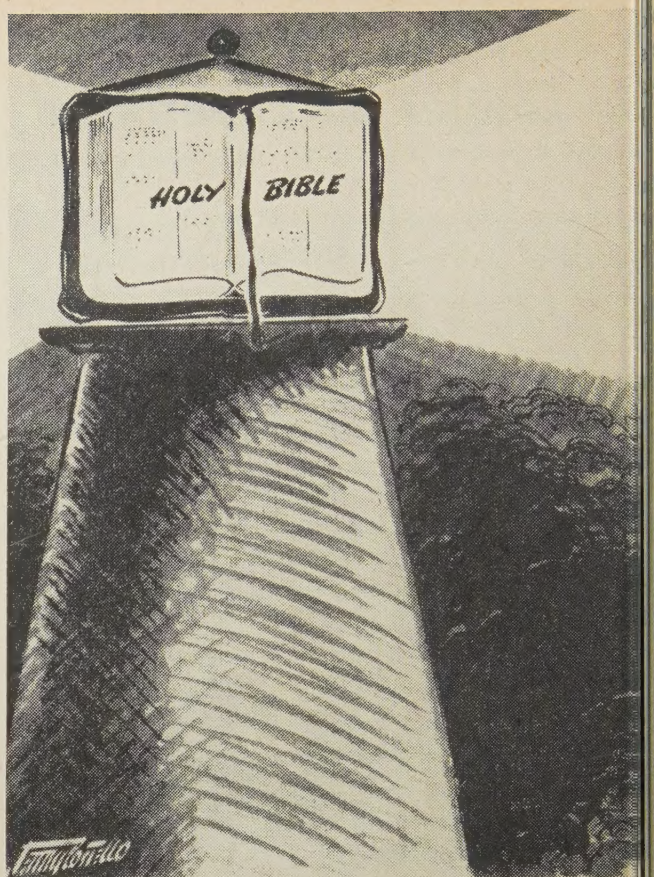
The session was opened with a memorial service for the late Dr. Frank H. Mann, general secretary of the Bible Society, who died on October 11. The service was conducted by Dr. J. A. Aasgaard of Minneapolis, official representative of The Evangelical Lutheran Church and Dr. Francis C. Stifler of the Bible Society. Dr. Mann inaugurated and was responsible for the program of the Advisory Council. Before his death he had chosen as the theme for these meetings, "These Are the Lively Oracles of God." Dr. Robert T. Taylor, who had worked closely with Dr. Mann on the program, presided at the meetings.

Pastor Ellingson

The Rev. Richard H. Ellingson reported that Bible distribution in this country last year rose to almost ten million volumes in 81 different languages. In every state, and often county by county, trained people are at work distributing Scriptures as representatives of the Bible Society. Twice during the Society's history a nation-wide effort has been made to supply whole Bibles for every Bible-less home. "Of recent years," Mr. Ellingson said, "such efforts have been state-wide or city-wide on a rotating basis so that every section of the country will be covered periodically."

Ellingson, a former Navy chaplain and pastor in the ELC, stated that last year 1,301,145 volumes of the Scriptures were supplied to chaplains by the Bible Society for free distribution. Ever since its first grant of Bibles to the Navy in 1820, the American Bible Society has freely supplied military chaplains with all the Scriptures needed for their men, totaling more than 39,000,000 volumes.

Miss S. Ruth Barrett, secretary of the Society's work for the blind, stated that for the past 120 years the



Society's records show that it has offered the Bible t every blind person in America. Today the Bible i Braille, the embossed system most widely used by th sightless, requires 20 large volumes and costs $60. Vo umes are furnished to the blind at 25 cents a volum The Bible Society not only supplies the Scriptures i the blind in 38 different systems and dialects, but als provides the entire Bible in 170 Talking Book Record

Russia and some Soviet-controlled areas are still close to Bible Society work, reported the Rev. Laton I Holmgren, one of the Society's secretaries engaged i foreign distribution. For Russia, the Society has Scri tures on hand for shipment to that country as soon a the doors are opened.

China is closed but measures have been taken to pr vide Scriptures there when opportunity comes. Near 20 million Chinese are living outside the China mai land in the countries of East and Southeast Asia. T minister directly to these people, the Bible Society ha sent Dr. Ralph Mortensen, its former secretary in Chin to begin a new ministry to these people. Dr. Mortense together with Mrs. Mortensen, are living temporarily i Japan, visiting among these displaced people, to discov their Scripture needs and to set up a program by whic the Society may serve them.

Supplies of paper are again being sent to Hungary fo the manufacture of a second edition of 30,000 Bible Other Scriptures are being sent to Hungary, Czech

lovakia and Yugoslavia, and one hundred and fifty tons of paper and funds for distribution work have also been sent to East Germany. What the Bible Society has been able to do in Communist areas in 1954, concluded Mr. Holmgren, the Society can probably repeat in 1955.

Work in Latin America and particularly Brazil has rapidly expanded and if more Scriptures were available the Society's distribution could be greatly increased in these countries.

Dr. Samuel Nelson was introduced to the Advisory Council as a new member of the Society's staff. A Baptist minister recently president of the Spanish-American Baptist Seminary in Los Angeles, California, Dr. Nelson has been appointed to head up a colporteur's training school to be located at some strategic point in Latin America. This is the first time such a project has been undertaken by the Society. The first year Dr. Nelson hopes to have six or eight students for his pupils, who will be graduates of a college or seminary. Training courses will cover class work and laboratory and field training. Dr. Nelson will leave shortly after the first of the year to establish this school.

The Bible Society is seeking to provide the illiterates of Pakistan with recordings of Scripture passages and inexpensive phonographs on which to play them.

Editorial

Partial Information Supplied

Readers will recall that in our issue of December 14 we printed a letter which we had addressed to the director of Father Flanagan's Boys' Town concerning the Christmas seal solicitation of that institution. Herewith we print the reply made to our questions. It is a matter of some interest to us that no mention is made of our last question: "Since you are apparently carrying on your solicitation among many thousands who are not of your faith, are you willing to endorse similar campaigns among Roman Catholics, by Non-Roman Catholic religious institutions? Would you for example, endorse the campaign of a similar Lutheran institution among your fellow religionists?"

I have your letter of November 30, in which you place certain questions about Boys' Town and our Christmas appeal for financial assistance. We have no way of ascertaining the religious affiliation of our contributors except that now and then some might say that they are Catholic, Episcopalian, Methodist, Lutheran, and so on.

It has been our practice to purchase mailing lists of prospective contributors for the past number of years, and to them we send our letters of appeal. It is left to the thoughtfulness and kindness of those people to mail a little contribution if they feel they wish to help some unfortunate boy, and if they do not wish to give—that is entirely up to themselves and there is no pressure brought on them that they must give.

What percentage of financial returns we receive from non-Catholics I am unable to say, but I feel that the biggest portion of our contributions come from Catholic people.

Father Flanagan, as you perhaps know, was a Catholic priest and the founder of this home called *Father Flanagan's Boys' Home*. Naturally, therefore it is conducted and ministered according to Catholic thought and action, just as your Lutheran institutions and homes would be if founded by Lutheran ministers. While Father Flanagan's Boys' Home is conducted under Catholic auspices it nevertheless admits any boy who is poor and homeless—regardless of his religion, as long as he is in need of help and a home, and in this sense we use the word non-sectarian.

The non-Catholic boys are served by a Protestant chaplain, who, at the present time, happens to be a Lutheran. He conducts services for them in their Protestant chapel not only on Sundays, but also on two other days each week.

We do not employ solicitors in our campaigns, but we do employ the services of a letter service company which prepares our letters and does all the clerical work connected therewith. Our over-all expense for this service comes to between ten and fifteen percent, which, I think, is very reasonable. In fact, I feel that if we were to do this work ourselves it would cost us considerably more.

All the letters containing contributions are sent directly to Boys' Town and are carefully checked. Naturally, all the money we receive is used for the care of the boys and the maintenance of Father Flanagan's Boys' Home.

I know that some false reports have gone out and I am sorry to say that the most serious one containing falsehoods about Boys' Town was put out by a Lutheran minister, who, when he was confronted by me regarding these false statements, begged to make amends for all the harm he had done.

If anyone can prove that Boys' Town gives money to any other homes or institutions, I will be glad to give him occasion to prove his statement.

At the present time, between thirty-five and forty percent of our boys are non-Catholic, and they receive the same benefits, advantages, and opportunities as our Catholic boys.

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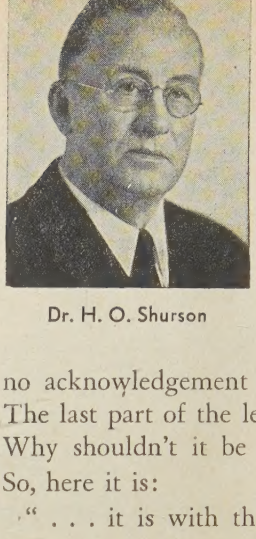
Fredrik A. Schiotz
President of the ELC



Dr. H. O. Shurson

September 16 Dr. H. Shurson, for 34 years t treasurer of our Churc and since 1950 executive se retary of the Abiding M morial Foundation, pr sented his resignation to t Board of Trustees. That i formation prompted me address a letter of than on behalf of our enti Church. The letter need no acknowledgement but I received a two-page repl The last part of the letter is too rich to keep to myse Why shouldn't it be shared with the whole Churc So, here it is:

" . . . it is with the deepest of gratitude that I a today relinquishing and turning over my office, with i appurtenances, to the Stewardship department, as desi nated by the Board of Trustees.

"Looking back it occurs to me that no one has serve in our Church in an official capacity as many years as have; consequently, no one has so much to be thankf for as I have—first to God, to Whom all glory is du to the Church for the continued re-elections so man times; to the past president, our dear Dr. Aasgaard, f his assistance; to the Board of Trustees for toleran and forbearance of my many shortcomings; and to m co-workers in the office to whom I owe my sincere gra tude for their unbounded loyalty and kindest support the performance of my office.

"I understand that it is the wish of the Board Trustees and also Dr. Olson, the Stewardship secretar that they welcome any assistance in any occasion th may offer, especially along the line that I have bee working since resigning as Treasurer. For this I a deeply grateful as I am more than anxious in some wa to do what little I can for my dear old Church durin the time I may have left, while the shadows are growin longer.

"May the Lord pardon my many sins, and all which I have failed, and finally be counted worthy enter the rest that remaineth to the children of God, a for His sake Who gave Himself for us."

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This Christmas one of the gifts for which I shall than God is the grace of the Christ Child poured into ou lives through the encouragement provided by the retire ministers who walk in and out among us;—and al for the benedictions our congregations received throug the host of *Simeons* that are found among our la people (Luke 2:34).

While I was a seminary student, some of the small talk I heard suggested that if one could avoid having retired pastors in the congregation's membership, this was to be desired. The thesis was that old pastors observing the work of a younger generation would be critical fault-finders. The years since seminary graduation have given the lie to this inference. What a glorious experience it has been to find in the retired pastors a source of encouragement and renewal!

This observation has been further re-established this fall. Dr. Aasgaard walks in and out among us, gladly sharing the wealth of his experience, assisting with the work of the president's office when I am gone. But always it is with the warning: "I want to know where you are so that I can reach you by telephone to get your judgment if there is an important decision to be made."

Dr. Martin Anderson, president emeritus of the Eastern District, has made his home in Minneapolis. We can't quite think of him as emeritus yet; but so it is. However, because God is blessing him with continuing strength, he has offered to fill a gap in our Church's service to congregations. It is unlikely that any pastor in our Church has had the experience of Dr. Anderson in the erection of new churches. Now he offers this experience to the whole Church and is ready to counsel with pastors and congregations that are about to undertake a building program. The expense involved may be ascertained by writing to Dr. Anderson at his home at 5329 South 28th Avenue, Minneapolis, Minnesota.

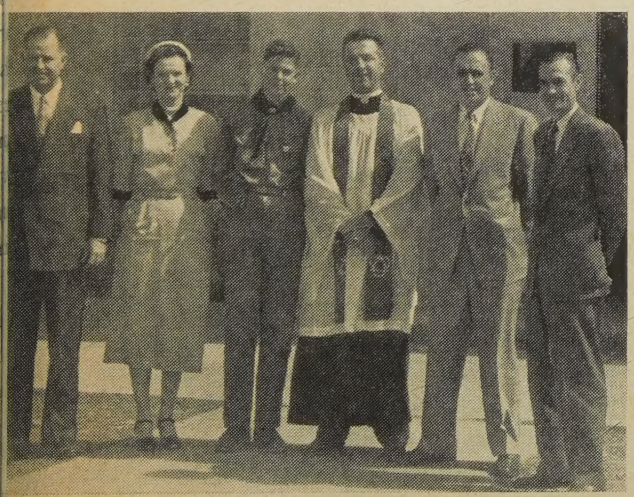
January 14 at 10:00 a.m. Dr. Alvin Rogness will be installed as president of Luther Theological Seminary at a service to be held at the University Lutheran Church of Hope in Minneapolis. Almost every chance conversation with Dr. Gullixson, the retiring president, reveals that his mind is preoccupied with concern that Dr. Rogness shall have a free hand in the assumption and discharge of the stewardship entrusted to him by the Church's election last June.

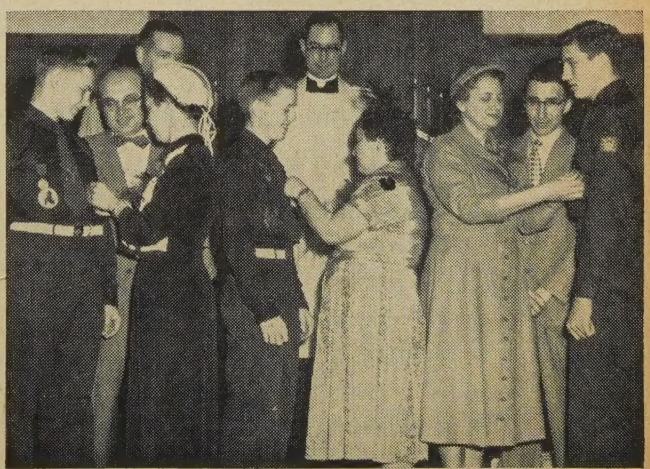
Boys' Work in the E.L.C.

Loren M. Ness
National Director

Pictured at the left are Jerre and Glenn Hitz who were granted the Pro Deo et Patria Awards at Ascension Lutheran Church of Thousand Oaks, Calif. Pastor is the Rev. L. O. Sunde. Mr. and Mrs. Warren Hitz, parents, are at the left of the photo with Mr. Lucky Bauerman in the rear.

the right are Eagle Scout Paul Larson and First Class LeRoy yer who received their awards in First Lutheran Church of Ada, nn. Pictured (l. to r) front, Mr. and Mrs. William Boyer; LeRoy; plorer Advisor, Dr. Clayton Anderson; Paul; the Rev. and Mrs. rson. Back row, troop committee members. The Church Award s also given to First Class Scout Roland Kautz (below) at nce of Peace Lutheran Church in Arlington, Texas. From l. to r. . and Mrs. Paul R. Kautz; Roland; Pastor Curtis E. Jorstad; outmaster J. B. McClure, and A. E. Wasserman.





Church Scouting award was presented (right) to Eagle Scouts rlayne Jacobson and Paul Quade, and to Life Scout Arnold enson at Fairmont, Minn. Pictured, l. to r., Marlayne, Mr. and s. Harvey Jacobson, Scoutmaster H. M. Holley, Arnold, the v. W. O. Conradson, Mrs. Leona Swenson, Mrs. and Mr. Marland ade, and Paul.

"We Believe, and Therefore . . ."

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The income for the Budget of The Evangelical Lutheran Church and for Lutheran World Action is a part of this "great stream" rising in the hearts of the people. It tells a very important story about the character and strength of the faith and love back in the highlands of the Church.

There are some places where obstructions have fallen across the stream which flows from Christian hearts into the great work of the Church. One of those places is called "apportionment." It was set up as a sign to point a direction. It has become an unintended dam. The folks who live alongside have decided to limit the amount of power which shall be produced. They will not let the stream move past that point. They have missed the great purpose which is to let the stream of Christian love and giving be as mighty and productive as it possibly can. However, there are fewer and fewer people letting such obstructions fall across this stream.

Another obstruction which has sometimes fallen across these streams is called "let's keep it at home." The vision of some has been dim. Mistakenly they have supposed that the congregation will get along better if it keeps more money at home. They have failed to understand that such a viewpoint destroys the faith and love which must have its outreach, which must move from the highlands to the far places. It is the nature of Christian faith that it must be allowed to move away from home or it dies.

In this closing month of the 1954 fiscal year (it ends on January 31, 1955) we are writing the final records in another year which God has given to us. We are determined, surely, to remove all obstructions. Let the final reports for the Budget and Lutheran World Action reveal the great streams which have flowed again out of the hearts and homes, out of the congregations of a great Church. Those who stand on the banks of these streams want to have good reason to rejoice in the grandeur of what Christ has done again in and through His people.

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Orders for a New Day

Harold B. Kild

THE SUNDAY AFTER NEW YEARS

January 2, 1955

Text: Luke 12:32-34

High and holy orders for holy men, but for holy m only! That is what we find in this text as we a entering upon a new day, the year 1955. When t whole world stands in fear and dread of the atomic a and searching for a workable formula that will ush in a day of "peaceful co-existence," holy men only c hear and heed the comforting words that issue fr the mouth of the Lord this day as He says—"M Christian men, Men of God—Fear not."

The new year has begun. With the new year th is also the great possibility of a new life—a life that free from fear. That is surely something that you a all of mankind needs and sorely wants—a life that free from fear.

High and holy orders for holy men? Look—see a read the words as they quickly follow one after t other. "Sell what thou hast and give alms." These stern and forbidding orders, sufficient to make t strongest weak and the most vigorous pale. What such words really mean? What inference at the beg ning of 1955? Must Christians be paupers? Must b gars be made of those who love the Lord? No, that. Rather this—our real security and safety can be found in the things of this world. Money, goods a wealth cannot make a shelter for the soul. Only wealth of heaven—only the riches of God can shel and support the souls of men and drive away the fe from human hearts.

Thus, during the year that opens to you, why do you make it a practice in your life to read, to stu to learn, to apply the word of God to your own he and life? Why don't you make it a practice to pray Holy Spirit's power in your life to enable you to ob the Word of God? Begin immediately—don't delay. your soul be enriched, your mind renewed, your inspired by the means God has given—His Word a His grace. Let Him, His Word, His power, His pro ise; His Son our Lord be your treasure, knowing t where your treasure is there too will be your heart, a yours will be a heart fixed on God.

High orders for holy men—that's what our Lord offering at the threshold of another year. Begin it w friend and pass through it fearlessly as you hear Word, as you heed His command, as you build y life this year on the certain ground of His promise. who spoke, still speaks: "Lo I am with you always e unto the end of the world."

What a year this can be! A year of spiritual progr of enlarging hope, of deepening faith.

Meditations for the Family Altar

J. R. Hestenes

TOWARD THE FIRST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

ıe Epistle: Ephesians 6:1-4

The Gospel: Mark 10:13-16

Monday, January 3
THEY DON'T MIX

Read II Corinthians 6:14-17

Do not be mismated with unbelievers. ɔr what partnership have righteousness d iniquity? Or what fellowship has ght with darkness?

Some things simply do not mix, and ere is no point in trying to make them) so. In the spiritual life this is just true, only we go on trying it just the me. The Apostle is here making it plain at righteousness and iniquity cannot go nd in hand. If righteousness is to ound, iniquity shall have to be put vay. There must be a division between e two: one shall be kept, the other left hind.

One of the difficulties of Christian liv- g is to "come out from among them," be separated, to be dedicated to the rposes of God. When we ask God to lp us walk with care He promises to be a father to us. and we shall know that e are His sons and daughters.

Help us, O God, to keep ourselves an, to avoid every defilement of body d spirit, and make holiness perfect in hee. Amen.

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Tuesday, January 4
COME AND SEE

Read John 1:35-42

He said unto them, "Come and see."

This gracious invitation on the part of Jesus was given to the two disciples of John, and they followed it. They went with the Master to His abode, and they must have seen something good! For one of them, Andrew, hurried to find his brother, Simon. Then there were others who followed. Soon Jesus had His disciples together and a new experience was in store for ordinary men, in the company of Christ.

Do any of us want to know more about Jesus? His invitation is, "Come and see." Men have studied endless hours to find the hidden secrets of things. One man spent many years studying the flame of a candle and he could tell interesting things about it. All of us need to know Christ better than we do. He invites our study and makes it rewarding. Only, "Come and see."

Never in this life can we know all there is to know of Christ. But through His Word we must in His knowledge grow and increase. We must answer His "Come and see."

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Wednesday, January 5
CHURCH GOING

Read Psalm 122

I was glad when they said unto me, "Let us go to the house of the Lord."

Why so glad? Why have believers said this since time past remembering? What is there about going to the house of the Lord that makes you glad?

Well, it's a coming into His presence, into the sanctuary, where there is peace and quiet. It's a coming in with your heart laden with a burden, and going out again without it. It's looking upon the altar and the cross, and remembering the sacrifice made for your sins. It's hearing the story again of God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son. These are some of the things that fill us with gladness at the thought of going to the house of the Lord.

There are many who know it and will continue as long as they live to make their way to church. Blessed people! They have hold on a good thing. It will serve to sustain them in all their experiences; it will give them gladness not of this world. Do you know it?

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Thursday, January 6
CALL ON HIM

Read Romans 10:12-21

For, "everyone who calls upon the ıme of the Lord will be saved."

What a wonderful promise this is! No atter who you are, Paul says, God will ar you, and answer you, if you truly ll upon His Name.

In another place we are reminded that ere is no other name under heaven hereby we can be saved. Therefore, if it salvation we want—precious gift—and is offered us by God, let us make haste) call upon Him.

From where shall we call? Right where ɔu are. There is no place too far away om the ears of the loving Father. He ard the words of the Prodigal Son in ıe far away pig pen. He hears the dis- nt whisperings of the anxious heart of ıe so-called righteous person. No matter here you are, if you want salvation, call ut to God and He will hear.

Does He know when the call is real? es, He can tell. He honors every utter- ıce that comes forth from the heart of ıyone who turns to Him in faith.

Friday, January 7
CHRIST FIRST

Read Matthew 10:32-39

"He who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he who loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me."

These seem like hard words, but Jesus is pointing out His claim to First Place in the hearts of those whom He has redeemed. Christ who is put in second place has, really, no place at all.

Does this mean that we should have no love for our own flesh and blood? Not at all. But, what we are reminded of here is that Christ must have our first love, and others must come after that.

To keep Christ first is the wish of a true Christian. Luther, to remind himself of the preeminence of Jesus, always wrote that Name at the head of every sermon he wrote. Many believers do the same with every letter they write. "Jesus Only," they set down.

This is good practice. It keeps reminding us of our Savior, and our great debt to Him. He has first right to first place in our lives.

Saturday, January 8
THE COMMANDMENTS

Read Deuteronomy 6:1-9

"And you shall bind them as a sign upon your hand, and they shall be as frontlets between your eyes. And you shall write them on the doorposts of your house and on your gates."

God was making sure that His people would not forget the commandments He had given them. They were given as a law to protect them and to make them a holy people. Never were they to be unmindful of them.

The people of Murphy, N. C., see the Ten Commandments on a hillside near their town. Arranged in large letters made of stone, they can be seen by the mother at her kitchen sink, father on his way to work, and by the children at play out of doors. The reminder is there: love to God and to our fellowmen.

Christians are controlled by the New Covenant and its Law, the Law of Love. In all they say and do, this dictates the word and the deed, seeing that it is in the spirit of Christ.

Let me walk in Thy Spirit, O Jesus, that I may keep the Law of Thy love. Amen.

Here and There on the Christian Front

Edited by Raymond M. Ols

WOMEN HONOR U. N. DELEGATES

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More than 1,000 women attended a luncheon in New York given by the United Church Women of the National Council of Churches in honor of women delegates to the United Nations General Assembly. Among the leading speakers were, left to right: Mrs. Franklin D. Roosevelt; Mrs. James D. Wyker of Mt. Vernon, O., president of the women's organization; and Mrs. Oswald B. Lord, U. S. representative to the U. N. Commission on Human Rights. Mrs. Wyker pledged full support of the U. N. by the church organization which has some 10,000,000 members.

NLC STUDIES URBAN CHURCH PROBLEMS

Studies of transition and upheavals in metropolitan centers throughout the country, to help the Church "more effectively bear its witness in this age of mobility," have been launched by the Division of American Missions of the National Lutheran Council. Believed to be the first project of its kind in Protestantism, the surveys are underway or contemplated in the San Francisco Bay area, Detroit, St. Louis, Houston-Dallas-Fort Worth, Boston, and Brooklyn.

The Rev. Walter Kloetzli of Chicago, secretary for urban church planning in the NLC's Division of American Missions, is in charge of the project. "Tools of modern scientific social research are being used in the study," he said, "to gather the facts and to interpret them so that our people will want to do something in response to the reality confronting them. Of vital importance is an understanding of the life of the community as a dynamic process, as an unfolding drama ever shifting and changing, ever presenting new problems, challenges, opportunities, and responsibilities for the people and institutions in its midst."

Most advanced of the studies is that of Brooklyn Lutheranism, where the first phase of a two-year analysis has been completed. Recently a two-day meeting was held to consider the findings of a study of Flatbush, the first of several communities in Brooklyn to be surveyed. In Flatbush four congregations were involved. Brooklyn has nearly sixty Lutheran churches. All of them face the problems of shifting population, parking and traffic, high rentals, lack of opportunities for Negroes to secure housing, an aging constituency, and the difficulties involved in ministering to an apartment area.

BAINTON FEARS "DISTRUST"

A warning against creating of widespread distrust by "excessive pursuits of subversives" was made by Dr. Roland H. Bainton of Yale Divinity School when he addressed a National Council of Churches gathering in Boston. He declared that America w confronted with difficult alternati It is dreadful to contemplate be overcome by a "tyrant from witho he said, "but it is even more dread to be overcome by a corruption fr within." He continued, "If wo comes to worst, better that we go do under the heel of a foreign tyrant a go down uncorrupted than to be agents of our own destruction by own betrayal of freedom."

The well-known theologian stres the danger of destroying America trust in one another. In the So Union, he said, Communism has stroyed the Russians' trust in one other. In Germany, efforts to re Communism resulted in National cialism, a system which was "equa tyrannical and likewise destroyed faith of one German in another."

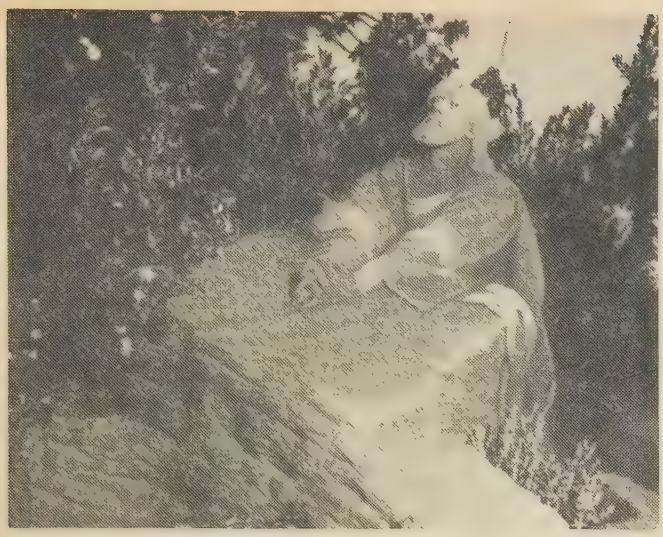
Dr. Bainton spoke of the dan of creating a stereotype in the Am can mind. "Those who are not inve gated become so fearful of what mig happen if they spoke their true mi with boldness that they conceal th genuine opinions and give an exter conformity. The use of excessive p sures breaks down the very genius the democratic attitude."

MEASURING THE CHURCHES

The administrative heads of the N tional Council of Churches, reporti to the Third General Assembly, c tioned that "the world's standards evaluation and tables of measurem do not provide the basic criteria judging the Churches; it is not quired of them that they be succe ful by the world's standards, but o that they be faithful. The event is w God."

They then went on to point o "More than 94 millions of the peo of our nation are members of churc or synagogues. More than 30 milli new members have been added the past 14 years. A century ago c out of six Americans was a chur member. Today the ratio is six c of ten. Since 1920 church members

CHRIST IN SAND



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is scene of Christ praying in the Garden of Gethsemane, sculptured entirely in sand, was e of the most striking exhibits at the "do-it-yourself" exposition in the Oakland, California ditorium. The artist, Ted Conibear of Arlington, California, used some 5,000 pounds of e, wet sand and only a spoon, knife and brush as tools. It took him four days to complete work.

is increased four times as fast as the population; it has doubled while the population increased by 50 per cent. he Churches which are represented this Assembly constitute 63% of e Protestant and Orthodox church embership, 38% of the total church embership, and 22% of the total population of the nation."

"In the 48 Protestant and Orthodox hurches reporting to the Joint Department of Stewardship and Benevolence, ntributions in 1953 amounted to $1,-7,132,309. The increase over the preding year was 8.5%, five times the te of population increase and three nes the rate of membership increase. he benevolence contributions received these Churches in 1953 amounted to 08,874,662, an increase of 6.8% over e preceding year."

IANY CARLOADS TO JTHERAN FOOD APPEAL

n Dec. 8, with carloads of commodities still being reported from ound the country, Lutheran farmers America's "bread-basket states" had ntributed a total of 150 carloads of od to the 1954 All-Lutheran Food ppeal, according to an announcement the Rev. Ove R. Nielsen, director the program. So far the 1954 apal has brought 123 carloads of shelled rn, 25 carloads of wheat, and two carloads of maize. The best results of the appeal have been in Minnesota, where 47 carloads of corn and three carloads of wheat had been received.

In Fillmore County in Minnesota, where the local appeal was headed by the Rev. S. T. Severtson (ELC) of Lanesboro, five carloads of shelled corn were contributed, making it the highest single carload county.

The All-Lutheran appeal is sponsored jointly by Lutheran World Relief, agency of the National Lutheran Council, and the Board of World Relief of the Lutheran Church—Missouri Synod.

WORTHY OF NOTE . . .

The Evangelical agency for development of housing in Bavaria, Germany, built 1,700 housing units which provided homes for 7,000 people during its first five years of existence. The agency, which received $110,000 of support from the Lutheran World Federation, created new housing valued at $5,357,000 during the period. Seventy per cent of the people in these new housing units are refugees, expellees and people who lost their homes under World War II bombs. . . . All 259 Popes in the history of the Roman Catholic Church will be portrayed individually on postage stamps to be issued by the Republic of Panama over the next eight years. The Panamian government will allocate a part of the revenue from the sale of the new issue to the Catholic Church in that country in recognition of the leadership of the present Pope "in the struggle against Communism." . . . A survey in Richmond, Virginia, shows that one-third of the sale of objectionable comic books is made to adults.

WOMAN IS "LAYMAN OF THE YEAR"

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Mrs. Eugene V. Pugh, a prominent member of the Disciples of Christ, receives the "Layman of the Year" award of the Washington Federation of Churches from the Rev. N. Gordon Cosby, chairman of the award committee. Looking on is the Rev. Carl Kopf, president of the Federation. Mrs. Pugh is the third lay-woman to be so honored in the 15 years the award has been given. She is a former president of the Washington Council of Church Women and has been active in the national work of United Church Women.

Schools and Colleges

Edited by the Division of Higher Education

NATIONAL LUTHERAN EDUCATIONAL CONFERENCE TO MEET

The forty-first annual convention of the National Lutheran Educational Conference will be held this year in Washington, D. C., on January 9, 10, and 11, 1955.

The National Lutheran Educational Conference is one of the older educational associations in America, and its membership is composed of the administrative representatives of the Lutheran junior and senior colleges and theological seminaries in the United States and Canada.

The coming convention will center its attention on the theme, "The Theological Foundation for Lutheran Higher Education." This theme will be developed in three areas as it relates to student life, to teaching, and to administration. Each of these areas will be presented by a member of the conference.

The highlight of the conference will come in the opening banquet on Sunday evening, January 9, in the Statler Hotel. Dr. H. Richard Niebuhr will address the group on the general theme of the conference. Dr. Niebuhr, professor of Christian ethics at Yale University, is also director of the current study, "Theological Education in America."

Pastors in the Washington area are invited to this opening banquet and may send their reservations to Dr. Gould Wickey, executive secretary of The Board of Education of The United Lutheran Church in America, 2633 Sixteenth Street, N. W., Washington 9, D. C.

As the program progresses through Monday and Tuesday, Dr. Harold L. Yochum, president of Capital University, Columbus, Ohio, will speak on the subject, "The Theological Foundation for Lutheran Higher Education as It Relates to Administration." The second area, "The Theological Foundation for Lutheran Higher Education as It Relates to Teaching," will be presented by Dr. C. M. Granskou, president of St. Olaf College, Northfield, Minnesota. The third area, "The College President Looks at the Admissions Program," will be analyzed by Dr. Evald B. Lawson, president of Upsala College, East Orange, New Jersey.

Dr. Oscar A. Benson, president of the Augustana Evangelical Lutheran Church, will be the guest of the convention at its dinner on Monday evening, January 10, and will speak on the subject, "What the Church Expects of Its Colleges." Another of the featured speakers will be Concordia College graduate (Moorhead, Minnesota), Dr. Gabriel Hauge, administrative assistant to the President of the United States, whose topic will be, "The Church College in the Nation's Service."

Tuesday, January 11, will be devoted to a discussion of topics specifically related to theological education, and in this section of the program the following speakers will develop the following themes suggested by the titles of their papers:

"How Can Standards in Theological Education Be Raised," presented by Dr. Henry Bagger, president of The Lutheran Theological Seminary, Mt. Airy, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

"Experience and Value of Psychological Testing Programs in Theological Seminaries," by the Reverend Gerald Johnson, pastor, First Lutheran Church, Monmouth, Illinois.

"Admittance Norms and Procedures," by the Reverend Vernon L. Strempke, secretary, The Board of Education, The United Lutheran Church in America, Washington, D. C.

The procedure which is followed in the convention is to have the papers presented by the various speakers to whom the subjects have been assigned and then follow each presentation with a discussion by the members of the NLEC.

The National Lutheran Educational Conference has fifty-one member institutions, and four departments of education of various church bodies. Advance registrations indicate that there will be forty-three institutions represented.

The NLEC meetings precede the meeting of the Association of American Colleges. This association counts more than six hundred institutions as members and holds its meeting in Washington January 11-13. The theme of the Association of American Colleges meetings will be "Liberal Education and America's Future." Executive Director of this association is Dr. Theodore A. Distler.

President of the NLEC is Dr. C. Becker, president of Wartburg College, Waverly, Iowa. Dr. Orville Dale, executive secretary of the ELC Division of Higher Education, is secretary-treasurer.

CAMPUS NEWS NOTES

"From Darkness to Light" was the motif of this year's annual St. Olaf Christmas Concert, December 10, 11, 12, and 13, on the St. Olaf campus.

All the major vocal groups on the campus, headed by the St. Olaf Choir under the direction of Dr. Olaf Christiansen, participated in the concert along with the St. Olaf Orchestra directed by Donald Berglund. For the first time in many seasons, a solo was presented in the program. Robert Young of the music faculty sang Handel's "Every Valley Shall Be Exalted" from the Messiah.

Among the selections sung by the St. Olaf Choir were "While Stars Their Vigil Keep," by Luvaas; "Vision of Peace," by Berger; and Grieg's "God's Son Has Made Me Free" in Norwegian. The all-girl Manitou Singers presented "Make We Joy Now," a composition by the group's director, Miss F. Marian Walker. The Chapel Choir under the direction of Kenneth Jennings and two all-male groups, the Viking Chorus conducted by student Donald Colton and the Kristmen Male Chorus led by Sigurd Fredrickson, sang individually and in the massed chorus numbers.

As is traditional, Dr. Christiansen led the audience, accompanied by the orchestra, in the singing of familiar Christmas carols.

Within the E.L.C.

ERSONS

The Rev. Glenn G. Husby, formerly istor in Glasglow, Montana, moved his new parish, St. Paul's Church, issoula, Montana in November.

Mrs. Anne Marie Thorson Gudmun-n, formerly of River Falls, Wis., tely of the Coeur d'Alene Homes, oeur d'Alene, Idaho, died Nov. 8, ar 85 years of age. She was the other of the Rev. Orin S. Gudmun-n, Prineville, Oregon.

The Rev. Nels C. Carlson will move n. 18 from Miles City, Montana, to lasgow, Montana, to be pastor of irst Lutheran Church of Glasgow.

The Rev. Waldo R. Wold, pastor of . Mark's Church, Madison, Wis., nce 1946, has accepted a call to the Viota parish, Woodford, Wis., and ill move there March 1.

The Rev. Jersing Thompson will be-in an interim pastorate in Miles City, fontana in January.

The Rev. Svein Tverberg, former issionary to Madagascar, terminated n interim pastorate at Mauston, Wis., ec. 1. His address is now 319 N. lum St., Northfield, Minn.

ISTRICTS

outh Central

Osage, Iowa. Osage Church, parish f the Rev. Luther H. Berven, re-eived 115 new members Dec. 5. Of ese, 23 were children and 11 adults y baptism and 21 by adult confirma-on. The Thanksgiving offering of he congregation exceeded $7,000. The ongregation's new $425,000 church nd parish house will be completed bout March 1.

outh Dakota

Vermillion, S. Dak. Rural Pleasant Valley Church, parish of the Rev. Palmer Loken, is building a $3,500 ddition to its church, to be mainly sed by the Sunday school. On Dec. the congregation received 21 new nembers.

Rapid City, S. Dak. Trinity Church, arish of the Rev. Sylvan Moe, re-eived 125 new members on Novem-er 21.

California

Carmel Valley, Calif. The fourth nnual pastoral conference of the Cali-fornia District met here Nov. 2-5, with bout ninety per cent of the district's clergy in attendance. Speakers were: Dr. George Aus, Luther Theological Seminary in St. Paul, Minn., the Rev. Theo. Hax of Los Angeles, and District President Falde. An "open forum" was conducted with several pastors serving as chairmen. The Rev. L. K. Johnson of La Jolla, Calif., succeeded the Rev. Harold J. Brown of Palo Alto, Calif., as president of the conference.

Los Angeles, Calif. As part of its Preaching-Teaching-Reaching Mission Concordia Church presented "The Light of Faith" telecast on Channel 2, KNXT, Sunday morning, Nov. 14, with Pastor H. G. Loddigs preaching. Mrs. H. Morton and the Concordia Youth Choir furnished the music. During Mission Week, Nov. 28 to Dec. 2, Evangelist E. L. Scotvold was guest preacher. Also in preparation for the mission, Concordia members made more than 3,200 house calls.

LUNCHEON TO HONOR DR. AND MRS. ROGNESS

A luncheon to honor Dr. and Mrs. A. N. Rogness will be held at University Lutheran Church of Hope, 601 13th Avenue S.E., Minneapolis, January 14, 1955, following the service of installation. ELC members desiring to attend should obtain tickets in person or by mail from the Department of Christian Education, 422 South 5th Street, Minneapolis, before January 6. Tickets will be one dollar each.

A COUNTY'S RESPONSE TO THE FOOD APPEAL

Lutherans of Cottonwood County in Minnesota responded to the All Lutheran Food Appeal by shipping during the third week of November four carloads of corn, totaling more than 7,000 bushels, and by giving in addition more than $500 in cash.

OBITUARIES

Mrs. Oscar I. Johnson

Mrs. Blanche Omundson Johnson, member of Highland Church, San Bernardino, Calif., died Nov. 19, in her 68th year. Funeral services and burial took place Nov. 26 at Jewell, Iowa. She was born July 13, 1887, in La Salle County, Illinois. In 1910 she married Oscar I. Johnson. They lived in Jewell, Iowa from 1910-28, and in Denver, Colo., 1928-42. After a stay of three years in Minneapolis and of eight years in Oregon, they moved in 1952 to San Bernardino, Calif. Among her survivors are her husband, a daughter, a son (the Rev. Sterling R. Johnson, Camrose, Alberta, Canada), and five grandchildren.

Miss Bertha Worra

Miss Bertha Worra, a member of Our Saviour's Church, Los Angeles, Calif., died at Pasadena, Calif., Nov. 7, near 80 years old. Burial took place Nov. 12 at Palestine Church, near Dolliver, Iowa. A native of Kopervik, Norway, she came at an early age to U. S. A. For a number of years she taught parochial school in Iowa and Minnesota parishes.

Mrs. N. I. Berg

Mrs. Jennie Woldstad Berg, widow of the Rev. N. I. Berg (who died in 1934), passed away Nov. 17 in Minneapolis, Minn., at 76 years of age. At the funeral the Rev. Elmer Laursen officiated. The deceased was born in Norway Nov. 9, 1878. In 1900 she married the Rev. Nils I. Berg, then pastor at Valley City, N. Dak., and later at Fenton, Iowa; Nome, N. Dak.; and Deering, N. Dak. She is survived by five sisters and two brothers.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Wanted: Six arched windows, five or six feet high, for small Home Mission Church in Margie, Minn. Frosted or colored glass preferred, but not essential. Contact sought with some church which has remodeled its church building and has no further use for such windows. The Rev. Hans Nelson, Mizpah, Minn.

Wanted: Used chancel furniture (natural oak or varnished), including pulpit, font, and altar with altar piece and rail. Contact Clifford Bakken, R. 2, Erskine, Minn.

Convention Highlights. The recording of "convention highlights" has been an especially difficult and time-consuming process this year, since there were so many "highlights"—merger, elections, appreciation program, installation, budget, etc. However, a 48-minute, double-faced LP (33 1/3) disc of highlights can now be ordered for $5.00. Tape recordings at 7½ inches per second of special items will also be furnished at 15c per minute. In the case of the latter, size of reel and ceiling price should be mentioned. Order from the ELC Office of Public Relations, 422 S. Fifth St., Minneapolis 15, Minn.

ASSOCIATION MEETING OF THE CANADIAN LBI

The Annual Association meeting of the Canadian Lutheran Bible Institute was held recently in Camrose, Alberta, Can., with a Board of Trustees meeting, and several of the members of the association present to hear the reports and to make plans for the future.

Reports showed a continual growth in the school the last seven years, with last year as the peak year. Support for the school has also grown, and the new boys' dormitory has added much to the growth of the school. Five new members elected to the Board of Trustees were Pastors Luverne Tengbom of Calgary; L. O. Sogge of Donalda; Russel Melsness of Wetaskiwin; Archie Morck of Olds, and Mr. Cyrus Little of Red Deer. Elected to office for the coming year on the Board of Trustees were pastors, Ole Larsen of Dickson, chairman; L. O. Sogge, vice chairman; Clifford Lindgren of Meeting Creek, secretary; and Mr. Viggo Mollerup of Camrose, treasurer.

CHANGES OF ADDRESS FOR PASTORS

Gordon H. Carls, Chatfield, Minn. 1-4-55

Nels C. Carlson, 801 Sixth Ave. N., Glasgow, Mont. 1-18-55

Allen G. Hagstrom, Elbow Lake, Minn. 12-5-54

Maynard Moen, 319 E. Eighth St., Concordia, Kansas. 11-1-54

L. J. Njus, Albert Lea, Minn. (No street address given). 12-1-54

Edw. C. Norby, Fairdale, N. Dak. 1-1-55 (Interim service)

Olger Quanrud, Apartado Aereo 1482, Medellin, Colombia, South America. 12-6-54

Frank M. Salveson, Stanley, Wis. 11-1-54

Joseph B. Shefveland, 1107 12th St. N. W., Rochester, Minn. 12-3-54 (New location of Gloria Dei Lutheran Church in Rochester, Minnesota)

Harvey Sigurdson, 1108 Sunset Blvd., Arcata, Calif. 12-1-54

Albert Simone, 319 Oakland Ave., Waukesha, Wis. (Not an ELC pastor, but serving ELC Church.)

N. W. Stoa, 766 John St., Seattle, Wash. 3-1-55

Jersing Thompson, 1805 Main St., Miles City, Mont. 1-16-55 (temp.)

S. Tverberg, 319 N. Plum St., Northfield, Minn. 12-1-54

Palmer A. Wahl, Lodi, Wis. 12-15-54

W. R. Wold, Woodford, Wis. 3-1-55

PARISH CONSERVATION AND EXTENSION THROUGH . . .

THE PLACEMENT SERVICE

The Placement Service of the E.L.C. serves many people each year. Read the listings below. They may be of value to you or someone that you know. The merits of the propositions advertised have not been investigated and the Placement Service assumes no responsibility in the matter. Send your ads and communications to: The Placement Service of the E.L.C., 422 South Fifth Street, Minneapolis 15, Minnesota. (Refer to ad number when inquiring.)

FOR SALE

Farms

For sale—15 acre improved farm in Goodhue Co., Minn. House needs repairing, otherwise good improvements. Well located. Price, $4,500; $1,500 down. 393-1A

20 acre improved place for sale in Goodhue Co., Minn., on tarred highway. Good six-room house, full basement, and other buildings. Spring fed well. Price, $6,500; terms. 393-2A

40 acre modern farm on highway No. 14, near Rochester, Minn. for sale. All tillable with business site potential. Price, $20,000. 393-3A

75 acre improved farm on black top for sale in Goodhue County, Minn., near town. Good improvements. Nearly all tillable. Price, $13,500. 393-4A

For sale—120 acre highly improved farm in Goodhue County, Minn. New buildings. On school bus route. Price, $26,500. 393-5A

240 acre farm for sale in Wabasha County, Minn., near Zumbrota Falls. Price, $15,000; terms. Running water in building, half tillable. 393-6A

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